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In re Application of

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Serial No.: 10/662,297

Group Art Unit: 3753

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For: DAMPER VALVE AND HYDRAULIC POWER STEERING APPARATUS USING
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FEB 10 2006AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated November 10, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Claims 1-21 are all the claims presently pending in the application. Claims 1, 7, 11, 14, and 17 are amended to more clearly define the invention and claim 21 is added. Claims 1, 7, 11, and 17 are independent.

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